

# STATE OF WISCONSIN Division of Hearings and Appeals

In the Matter of

DECISION

FOO/167168

# PRELIMINARY RECITALS

Pursuant to a petition filed July 08, 2015, under Wis. Admin. Code § HA 3.03(1), to review a decision by the Milwaukee Enrollment Services in regard to FoodShare benefits (FS), a hearing was held on August 11, 2015, at Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

The issue for determination is whether the agency properly denied the Petitioner's application for FS benefits.

There appeared at that time and place the following persons:

PARTIES IN INTEREST:

Petitioner:



#### Respondent:

Department of Health Services 1 West Wilson Street, Room 651 Madison, Wisconsin 53703 By: Katherine May

> Milwaukee Enrollment Services 1220 W Vliet St, Room 106 Milwaukee, WI 53205

#### ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE:

Debra Bursinger Division of Hearings and Appeals

#### **FINDINGS OF FACT**

- 1. Petitioner (CARES # ) is a resident of Milwaukee County.
- 2. On March 2, 2015, the Petitioner applied for FS benefits via online ACCESS application. Petitioner reported a household of four including himself, his wife and two minor children. In addition, the Petitioner's wife is pregnant. Petitioner reported he attends college or university

full-time. Petitioner's wife is not working or attending school. Petitioner also reported employment with of 20 hours/week at \$22/hour.

3. Petitioner and his family entered the US on August 17, 2014 on F-1 and F-2 visas.

#### **DISCUSSION**

The FoodShare Wisconsin Handbook (FSH) discusses the eligibility of non-US citizens/legal aliens for FS benefits at Section 3.12.1. The following non-US citizens are not eligible for FS benefits:

Ineligible aliens include:

- 1. Visitors and tourists.
- 2. Diplomats and others in Foreign Service.
- 3. Persons illegally in the US.
- 4. Students with student visas.
- 5. Aliens who refuse to provide the documentation required to verify their qualifying immigration status.

FSH, § 3.12.1.7.

Based on the evidence and the FS regulations, I conclude the agency properly denied FS benefits to the Petitioner.

#### **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

The agency properly denied FS benefits to the Petitioner.

#### THEREFORE, it is

## **ORDERED**

That the Petitioner's appeal is dismissed.

### REQUEST FOR A REHEARING

You may request a rehearing if you think this decision is based on a serious mistake in the facts or the law or if you have found new evidence that would change the decision. Your request must be **received** within 20 days after the date of this decision. Late requests cannot be granted.

Send your request for rehearing in writing to the Division of Hearings and Appeals, 5005 University Avenue, Suite 201, Madison, WI 53705-5400 **and** to those identified in this decision as "PARTIES IN INTEREST." Your rehearing request must explain what mistake the Administrative Law Judge made and why it is important or you must describe your new evidence and explain why you did not have it at your first hearing. If your request does not explain these things, it will be denied.

The process for requesting a rehearing may be found at Wis. Stat. § 227.49. A copy of the statutes may be found online or at your local library or courthouse.

#### APPEAL TO COURT

You may also appeal this decision to Circuit Court in the county where you live. Appeals must be filed with the Court **and** served either personally or by certified mail on the Secretary of the Department of Health Services, 1 West Wilson Street, Room 651, Madison, Wisconsin 53703, **and** on those identified in this decision as "PARTIES IN INTEREST" **no more than 30 days after the date of this decision** or 30 days after a denial of a timely rehearing (if you request one).

The process for Circuit Court Appeals may be found at Wis. Stat. §§ 227.52 and 227.53. A copy of the statutes may be found online or at your local library or courthouse.

Given under my hand at the City of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, this 4th day of September, 2015

\sDebra Bursinger Administrative Law Judge Division of Hearings and Appeals



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The preceding decision was sent to the following parties on September 4, 2015.

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